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In Re Application of:

James A. Munro

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a three month extension of time to file this response to the Final Office Action mailed June 15, 2004. The extended period is set to expire on December 15, 2004. A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 is enclosed to cover the fee for a three month extension of time.

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Respectfully submitted,

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